

# OFFICER CHARLEY KING IS SHOT IN BACK BY ASSASSIN

Special to the Journal-Miner.

JEROME, Ariz., Aug. 27.—One of the most cowardly attempts at assassination that ever disgraced the criminal annals of Northern Arizona occurred here tonight, when N. B. Chavez, a Mexican, shot and seriously wounded Night Officer Charles King. The injured man now lies in the United Verde hospital with the bullet lodged immediately under his heart. The attending surgeons say that he is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

The leaden missile entered his back to the right of the spinal column, which it missed by a fraction of an inch. It ranged along the ribs around the right side to the front, where it stopped immediately under the skin. It has not been removed.

There is great indignation among the citizens. Soon after the news of the shooting spread large crowds gathered on the street corners and feeling is at a high pitch. This was intensified further when it became known that a 15-year-old Mexican girl, living in a house in the vicinity of the attempted assassination, was also struck by one of the bullets fired by Chavez. The bullet entered the lower part of her abdomen, and she is suffering great pain. It is believed there is little hope of her recovery.

Chavez is now a prisoner in the branch county jail. He is protected by a strong guard. It is believed that wiser counsel will prevail and that no attempt will be made to mob him.

Adding further to the general indignation of the citizens is the rumor that three shots were fired as a decoy to attract the attention of Officer King to the scene of the shooting. It is alleged that the shots were fired to bring him to the place with the intention of shooting him as soon as he arrived. The plan worked as intended with the exception that the shots were not fatal.

Mr. King was on his usual rounds in the Redlight section of the town, about 9:30 o'clock, when he heard three shots near a stone house occupied by a Mexican family. He immediately hurried to the scene of the shooting. Arriving in front of the stone house, where several Mexicans were gathered, he was shot from behind, the bullet entering about the middle of his back. A second shot was fired which went wild of its mark, entering the front door of the stone house and lodging in the abdomen of the 15-year-old girl. Hearing the second fusillade many citizens ran to the place and were amazed at seeing Officer King shot and severely wounded. He was taken to the hospital and placed in the care of surgeons.

George Sherman and George R. Doty, who were among the first to arrive, arrested and held Chavez until the arrival of Marshal Fred Hawkins, who lodged him in jail.

At this hour it is impossible to learn all the particulars of the crime as the only witnesses of the shooting were Mexicans, who refuse to discuss it. It is maintained by some that Chavez did not do the shooting, and that it was done by another Mexican. It is also claimed that there were eyewitnesses who will testify that he is the guilty one.

Mr. King has been a peace officer of Jerome several years. He is a brave and very efficient officer, and while very popular with law abiding residents is despised by the lawless element. He has been the means of ridding the place of many undesirable characters, and it is generally believed that the attempt to assassinate him grew out of some of his official investigations of crime recently committed in the town. He has always been fearless in the discharge of his duty and has never been known to flinch in the face of danger. Only a few years ago he entered a saloon where several Spaniards and Mexicans were engaged in a race war, armed with pistols and knives, and succeeded in arresting ten of the principals, although severely wounded in the affray.

## Chavez Served Prison Term.

JEROME, Ariz., Aug. 28.—(1 a. m.)—Attending surgeons say that Officer King is resting easy and that no attempt will be made to remove the bullet for several hours.

From further details learned of

the attempted assassination, it appears that Chavez and his wife quarrelled yesterday and that she left for the home of a relative in the stone house. Chavez called and it is alleged threatened to kill the entire family if she did not join him. She refused and he is alleged to have fired three shots at her, one striking the 15-year-old girl, who is a relative of the Chavez family. It is also stated that the bullet which struck Officer King was fired by Chavez from the inside of the house, while the officer's back was towards the door.

Chavez is said to have served a term of five years in prison, but on what charge is not stated. He is considered a bad "hombre" and is alleged to be quarrelsome. He is being guarded in the jail, but no attempt will now be made to harm him, as excitement has abated since it was given out that Officer King may recover.

## HUMBOLDT

CORRESPONDENCE

HUMBOLDT, Ariz., Aug. 27.—Arthur Baker of the Humboldt Co-Operative company, has been quite ill for the past few days with ptomaine poisoning. At present he is much improved and is able to be about his duties again.

Billy Oliver, whose place of business was burned last week, has started an ice cream parlor and confectionary store in one of the Humboldt Improvement company's houses.

Tony Usnic, a well known resident of Humboldt, has returned to spend several weeks in the Smelter City.

Mrs. E. Stewart and children, who spent two weeks very delightfully visiting friends on the Verde, have returned home.

Al. Suiterdick of Stoddard was a Humboldt visitor today.

Dr. Moore of McCabe is in the city today.

George A. Carter is visiting the R T ranch, owned by T. H. Reynolds. He is contemplating the purchase of some of the R T cattle.

Mr. Hill of Dewey was in the city yesterday, figuring on the erection of a concrete block, to be built on the site of the burned district. The building will be used jointly by the Francis-Miller company and the Shumate company.

On Wednesday last, Mrs. Samuel Trengrove of Iron King entertained the Ladies' Club in her usual charming manner. The spacious home was delightfully cool and seemed like a Mecca to the ladies after their toilsome journey up the hill. The afternoon was spent quietly chatting and sewing, and at 5 o'clock dainty refreshments were served. Those present were Mesdames Axford, Michaels, Bennetts, Lander, Davies, Francis, Haley, Brown, Miller and Miss Katherine McNichols.

Miss Katherine McNichols and Miss Pearl White have been enjoying themselves at the R T ranch for the past week. They were the guests of Miss Ynez Reynolds.

Weston Walker was host at a charming dinner party on Friday last, in honor of his birthday. Those present were Mrs. Corwan, Miss Ynez Reynolds, Miss Katherine McNichols, Miss Elsinor, Miss Pearl White, Miss Mattie Price, and Messrs. Multar, Corwan, Campbell, Geo. Miller and Chas. Miller, Jr.

## FAMOUS DRILLER CALLED BY GREAT REAPER.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

Carl Make, a well-known miner and champion driller of the United States, who, with Chamberlain, won the prizes in the drilling contests in El Paso and this city in 1904, died at the Sierra Madre mine, in the Escondido mountains, a few miles south of San Pedro camp, Chihuahua, Mexico, Saturday, August 20. His body was taken to San Pedro by Captain Patrick Durack and buried.

A large number of his old mining friends were at the funeral.

Make was 45 years of age and a native of Sweden.

He leaves a wife and son and two daughters.

## The Social Mirror

the week was the Five Hundred party, given Monday evening, with Mrs. John K. Miller as hostess, complimentary to Mrs. Edwin T. Cole. Those who enjoyed the evening were Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Guy G. Palmer, Mrs. Henry Kirby, Mrs. Walter E. Gunster, Mrs. James G. Taylor, Mrs. J. W. Erwin, Mrs. G. G. Bartlett and Miss Harriet Jean Oliver.

Tuesday afternoon the Prescott Bridge Club was very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. Leslie B. Larimer, on South Pleasant street, when she had as her guests Mrs. John K. Miller, Mrs. Francis L. Wright, Mrs. A. W. Edwards, Mrs. H. H. McNeil of Phoenix, Mrs. Davidson of Phoenix, Mrs. Paul P. Hastings, Mrs. H. D. Aitken, Mrs. LeRoy Anderson, Mrs. George Edward Meany, Miss Katherine Christy and Miss Emma Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Doyle were hosts on Wednesday evening at a beautifully appointed dinner in honor of Miss Katherine Christy of Phoenix. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Francis L. Wright, Miss Katherine Christy and the Messrs. David W. Russell, Thomas G. Norris and R. S. Masson.

One of the enjoyable events of the week was the regular monthly dance given by the Yavapai Club on Thursday evening. Among those who enjoyed the evening were Dr. and Mrs. Ralph J. Roper, Mr. and Mrs. George Edward Meany, Lieutenant and Mrs. Vernon W. Boller, Mrs. Harry Brisley, Mrs. Goebel, Mrs. H. G. Hallock, Mrs. King, Miss Theresa Fredericks, Miss Emma Dutcher, Miss Lila Hawkins, Miss Dorothy Drake, Miss Josephine DeKuhn, Miss Mabel Brisley, Miss Edith Armitage, Miss Jessie Jones, Miss Eleanor Sloan, Miss Ruth Dorris, Miss Winnifred Fredericks, Miss Ulmo, Miss Mattie Baker, Miss Erin Morrison, Miss Minnie Davis, and the Messrs. David W. Russell, Captain Clarence L. Cole, Justin Goebel, H. H. Linney, Jack Barber, J. William Waara, Ulmo, Fred C. Moore, Edward Lejeune, Jack Jones, George D. Morris, C. A. Trux, Sam Morris, Gary Vyne, Roy Elliott, Creighton James, J. A. Norton, David Ling and Chester Crawford.

The Mid-Summer dance given at the Hotel Congress, on Tuesday evening, was one of the pleasant affairs of the week. Among those who thoroughly enjoyed the evening were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rowlands, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kitch, Dr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Yount. An unusually pleasant party of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McNally, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Kirkpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Loss, Mr. and Mrs. Northcutt, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Murphy, Mrs. Homer King, Mrs. Harmon,

Mrs. Orme, Mrs. Segall, Mrs. Nall, Miss Jessie Jones, Miss Lillie Goebel, Miss Edith Armitage, Miss Erin Morrison, Miss Eleanor Sloan, Miss Mabel Brisley, Miss Grace Gordon, Miss Mattie Durban, Miss Alice Durban, Miss Lila Hawkins, Miss Annie Elmer, Miss Mamie Merrick, Miss Agnes Axley, Miss Margie Grace, Miss Esther Grace, and the Messrs. Edward T. Lejeune, Richard Lamson, Frank Goodman, W. E. Glenn, H. P. Ward, Ben C. Ward, Dr. C. B. Noble, J. B. Sanders, Jack Barber, W. R. Krum, R. C. Sparks, J. William Waara, L. P. Vallett, G. A. Vallett, H. W. Ulmo, J. Arthur Calles, Justin Goebel, Gary Vyne, E. H. Head, Chester Crawford, David Ling, David W. Russell, H. H. Linney, Neil Clark, Lester Ruffner and Roy Elliott.

Lieutenant and Mrs. George B. Rodney and son, George, Jr., were guests of Colonel and Mrs. T. M. Jones for several days during the week. Lieutenant and Mrs. Rodney were en route to Honolulu, H. I., where he will join his regiment, the Fifth Cavalry.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Richards have returned home from a three months' tour of Europe and the East.

Mrs. Arthur P. Watts and son arrived at Whipple Barracks, Friday. Lieutenant Watts met them at Ash Fork.

Mrs. George Norman Hoffman has returned home from Canada, where she has been the guest of relatives for the past two months.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Fredericks have returned home from a six weeks' visit with relatives in San Francisco.

Major and Mrs. J. M. Watts have gone to Los Angeles for a few weeks' visit with relatives.

Mrs. George Edward Meany and her sister, Miss Dorothy Drake, returned home Monday from the Tiger mine, where they were the guests of Herbert Meany.

Herbert Meany of Crown King spent a few days in town as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Edward Meany.

Mrs. Robert B. Burmister and two children, of Phoenix, are visiting in Prescott as the guest of Mrs. Robert H. Burmister.

Dr. J. H. Blain and family are expected to arrive home today from Detroit, Mich.

Miss Martha Garnett is here for a short visit with Mrs. A. L. Smith, while returning home to Phoenix from her summer vacation at Long Beach, Cal.

The first battalion of the 18th Infantry, U. S. A., left Saturday afternoon for the maneuvers at Atascadero, Cal., with Major Henry Kirby in command and the following officers, Captain John K. Miller, Captain Guy G. Palmer, and Lieutenants Walter E. Gunster, William E. Hall, James G. Taylor, Rowan P. Lemly, James G. Lockett and Merl P. Schilsterstrom.

## OLD GLORY TO WAVE OVER PIONEER HOME

(From Tuesday's Daily)

Heartily in accord with the good cause of extending a public institution of Arizona the recognition due, and keenly appreciating the import of the splendid movement to have the national emblem of the country flying from the masthead of the Pioneer Home, in this city, Prof. Baker, superintendent of the Prescott public schools, yesterday made the agreeable announcement that he would in a few days after opening the schools, ask the pupils to make a donation towards purchasing a large flag. The contributions asked will be small, and it is probable that no greater sum than 5 cents will be received from those who desire to crystallize the good and patriotic cause as one memorable flag day for Arizona.

The suggestion for the children of this Territory to express their appreciation of pioneers in this manner, originated several weeks ago, during the visit of Gus Heyman to this city, and although some time has intervened, Prof. Baker has been alert, and will take the initial step in heeding the advice of Mr. Heyman.

The present is an opportune time, and Prescott is the proper place to begin this work and to make it contemporaneous in sentiment from the east to the west and from the north

to the south, the effort of every public school in every city and hamlet in the Territory should gladly and willingly be centered to this good deed for the worthy cause.

The Home is rising from the ground rapidly, and before Christmas of this year will be ready for the men and women of the fast fading days of the frontier.

Major Doran, superintendent of this institution, in speaking of the laudable cause, is decidedly and favorably impressed with the idea, and would suggest as a proper and convenient site the granite elevation that rises in front of the Home building. A shaft of granite is available, and the anchorage would be perfect and stable for all time. Major Doran also favors a flag of sufficient dimensions to carry a pleasing effect at great distance, and that it be made of the best material possible, so that it may endure for many years. The emblem would also be one of the first that would carry the total number of stars in the new Union, forty-eight in number, and in this respect and regard would probably be the first to be flying to the breeze in Arizona.

The proposition will be made to the school children in every city in Arizona, so that each may claim the honor of being attached to its folds

## TERRITORIAL ROAD IS RAPIDLY RUSHED

(From Tuesday's Daily)

Flagstaff will be the place from which the next Territorial road work will be started in Northern Arizona, was the news given yesterday by Territorial Engineer Girard, and this will be started immediately. C. B. Clegg, of his engineer corps, has been directed to proceed to that point forthwith, and to start construction crews working from Flagstaff to Camp Verde. No new roads will be built, however, on that route, the season being too far advanced toward winter. Instead, the present grade will be repaired and placed in better condition than ever before. When Wet Beaver Creek is reached a permanent road will be constructed to the Mogollons mesa, on a new survey to be established. In the spring the intention is to return and place that route in first-class condition for traffic.

In speaking of this decision of Governor Sloan and the Board of Control, Mr. Girard states that the repair of the route from Flagstaff to Camp Verde is due to the forward advertising for bids for the construction of the Verde river bridge, which appears in this morning's Journal-Miner. Coincident with the completion of this gigantic structure, it is desired that the roadway between Camp Verde and Flagstaff will also be ready for service, closing consideration temporarily for that section of the north and south line. Between Prescott and Camp Verde, it is probable that early action will be taken for the selecting of a permanent route from a point beyond Dewey and where the road forks, one going through Ash Creek and the other through Cherry Creek, both leading into Camp Verde. The

Cherry Creek interests are receiving support from the many people residing in that district, and the various mining camps that are permanently established at several places within reach of this route. The motto of the Cherry Creek advocates is "Business and Pleasure," to which is combined the finest scenic attractions lying north of Prescott.

Local conditions south of Prescott are reported as satisfactory by Mr. Girard. Three new steel and concrete bridges are to cross Groom, Banning and an unnamed creek, each of sixteen foot spans. This work will be done by the Johnson-Shea company, now constructing the road south from here, and it is the intention to have the Groom Creek and Prescott route ready for travel in the next ten days. The grade is finished to Groom City, and is pronounced one of the best sections of work in the country. The construction forces were also doubled yesterday and the next objective point is the saddle in the Mount Union range, completing the first thirteen miles between Prescott and Phoenix. The work from now on to the southern goal will proceed rapidly, there being but few places over which bridges are to be built.

One very important matter has been decided in the construction of this great highway that commends itself for the consideration of those who are to use it, in that nothing but concrete and steel are to be used in culverts or bridge building. Not an inch of wood will be used at any point, durability and permanency being the watchword of the men who are directing the great undertaking.

## STATEHOOD HINGES ON A SANE CONSTITUTION

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story to illustrate his feelings in being placed in a republican assemblage and proceeding said: "All the people of Arizona have good cause to rejoice over the fulfillment of statehood and I am willing to voice my praise for those responsible for securing for us that cherished boon. I feel that the people are under obligations to our delegate, Ralph Cameron, and to General Hitchcock and to the others that have been named. I also think that credit should be given to the democrats who assisted. I am confident that a constitution will be framed that will be a representative American document and that will meet the approval of President Taft and Congress, and I want to say to my fellow democrats that statehood has a string attached to it, and that we must frame a constitution that will be approved at Washington, and we will do it."

Delegate Ralph Cameron was then presented amid a tumult of applause and when it subsided, he said:

"I believe that Mr. Ling is one of the standard bearers of the democratic party and what he has stated is true, and he has voiced the sentiments of the patriotic citizenship and true democracy of Arizona. We are all Arizonans and are joined in a common course. Two years ago I promised you that if I did not obtain statehood, I would never again ask for your suffrage. The republican party and President Taft—one of the greatest presidents we have ever known—have aided me in fulfilling that pledge. Now I have told him that you are an intelligent people and will submit to name a safe and simple constitution. Gentlemen, it is now up to you. If you keep the faith I have pledged, you have the greatest future before you. It means much to us whether we do the right thing. It behooves us—not as republicans or democrats—but as Arizonans desirous of statehood—frame a constitution that is in accord with the sound and sober judgment of the president. I appeal to you as voters to do the right thing, and when I go back I can say to him: "Here is what the people of Arizona have done. If you do, we will have the most prosperous state in the Union."

Col. E. A. Rogers was introduced as one of the sturdiest and hardest workers in the cause of democracy and in replying he said he was proud to be an American citizen and proud to meet men who are at the head of the nation, for they would not be there, if they were not great men. Therefore he was proud to be a member of an assemblage that

was welcoming the postmaster-general of the United States.

J. Lorenzo Hubbel of Apache county, one of the men who because of his devotion to Arizona went to Washington and did valiant work in the statehood fight, was the next speaker. In beginning he observed that the natural modesty of Hitchcock and Cameron had prevented them from relating the difficulties that had to be overcome before the statehood bill was passed. "To them, and to President Taft," said the speaker, "is due the fact that we have the opportunity to become one of the states of the Union. It stands us in hand; both republicans and democrats, to construct a plain, and elastic constitution and leave the future to future generations who will praise us if we have done our duty."

R. H. Burmister briefly spoke and R. N. Fredericks declared that he had faith in the people of Arizona, and that when the delegates convene in the convention at Phoenix, a constitution will be framed that will be so patriotic and American that it will meet the approval at Washington.

P. W. O'Sullivan concurred in all the sentiments that had been expressed, and asserted that all wanted statehood—republicans, democrats, socialists and even prohibitionists.

Geo. P. Harrington made a few appropriate remarks and was followed by Judge Albert W. Sames who paid a high tribute to the manhood and intelligence of Arizona's citizenship. B. H. Bennetts of Humboldt, although only a resident of Arizona a year, was confident that from his knowledge of the citizenship that an acceptable constitution would be sent to Washington and Dr. Yount, the next speaker concurred in that view.

E. S. Clark stated that the prime consideration was not whether our fundamental law should be adorned with this or that, but that it should be so sound, so broad and so enduring that it would be recognized by Congress as a constitution that was stable, fundamental and permanent. He pointed out that if the constitution was rejected, the enabling act would be lost and Arizona would be in the same position it was 30 years ago.

Lieut. Boller, Attorney Paul Burks, Leroy Anderson and D. E. Parsons were the concluding speakers and they voiced the sentiments of the other speakers of the evening, all expressing a desire for a constitution that could be expanded to meet the needs of the future.

The gathering then dispersed, all expressing themselves as having enjoyed a delightful evening.

General Hitchcock and Delegate Cameron, J. L. Hubbel and Judge Sames left this morning at 3 o'clock for Phoenix.